करने के आदेश में डी०बी०सी० का भी जिक्र होता है तो दूसरा सिलिंडर दिया जाता है । यदि जारी करने के आदेश में केवल एक सिलिंडर के लिय कहा जाता है तो भी अनुरोध किये जाने पर दूसरा सिलिंडर दिया जाता है बशर्ते कि उपभोक्ता सुविधा उपलब्ध हो ।

Hike in caustic soda price

1381. DR. NAREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a sharp hike in caustic soda price;

(b) if so, whether it will upset the economy of paper industry; and

(c) if so, what are the measures proposed to check this price hike?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (c) As per available information, there has been an increase in the ex-factory price of Caustic Soda by Rs. 200|- per tonne effective from 1-9-1988. This increase in price constitutes only 3.4 per cent increase in the ex-factory price. As the increase in price is not very high, it will not upset the economy of the paper industry.

Categorisation of Polymix-in-B-Sulphate

1382. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3749 given in the Rajya Sabha on 29th August, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are hardly 10 packs of formulations based on Polymixin-B-Sulphate, providone Inoine and Flucinolone Acetonide;

(b) when were the prices of these formulations fixed under DPCO, 1979, what were the prices fixed, what is the present price of each and what is the percentage increase in each case;

(c) whether it is a fact that the import of Polymixin-B-Sulphate and Flucinolone Acetonide are more than Rs. 50 lacs each per annum at landed cost; and

(d) if so, what are the reasons for keeping these drugs out of price control as none of the exclusion criteria is fulfilled by any of these drugs?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) Various manufacturers are marketing formulations based on referred drugs.

(c) and (d) The referred drugs were excluded from price control under Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987, as recommended by Kelkar Committee.

Import price of Rifampicin

1383. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to unstarred question 3296 given in the Rajya Sabha on 22nd August, 1988 and state:

(a) what are the basis on which the Ministry came to the conclusion that no instance of over invoicing in respect of Rifampicin has come to the notice of Government;

(b) when was the matter investigated and what are the details of findings;

(c) whether it is a fact that purchases of intermediates are made by the producers of Rifampicin from shippers;

(d) if so, what are the details of imports of intermediates during the last two years alongwith the CIF price and source of import;

(e) whether it is a fact that his Ministry is aware of import prices of